

MACOMB COUNTY 4-H COUNTY AWARDS OVERVIEW



I. THERE ARE THREE TYPES OF AWARDS:

A. **PROJECT AWARDS**

Eligibility – Any 4-H member between the ages of 11-14 (Junior) and 15-19 (Senior) as of December 31 of this year.

Nominee – should have completed at least two (2) years in the project area (this year plus one previous year, they do not have to be consecutive years).

Nominee- should have done an outstanding job in their project area this year.

Nominee- should have grown personally as a result of effort put into the project.

B. <u>SPECIAL AWARDS</u> (Leadership, Citizenship, Achievement, I Dare You, Key Club, Outstanding 4-H'er, Most Deserving 4-H'er) Eligibility – any 4-H member 15-19 years of age as of December 31 of this year.

Nominee- should meet criteria for specific award as outlined on Special Awards Nomination Instructions Sheet.

C. COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

- Ambassador Award for Community Service

Eligibility – any 4-H member 12 and over as of December 31 of this year.

Nominee- must have completed a minimum of 20 hours of community service.

Nominee – should meet criteria for Ambassador as defined on Ambassador Award Nomination Instruction Sheet.

*Please note: The Ambassador Award for Community Service can be applied for throughout the year as requirements are completed. Certificates are sent out accordingly. Recognition is given to all Ambassadors who received a certificate during the year at the Awards Recognition Program in November.

- Club Community Service Award

Eligibility - all clubs

Application should reflect the involvement of 4-H leaders and members working as a team toward a common goal.

II. WHO MAKES NOMINATIONS

Club Awards Coordinator and Project Leaders review membership and make nominations as appropriate. Members also may request nomination.

III. HOW TO NOMINATE

- Consider whether member is being nominated for project awards, special awards or both.
- Youth can be nominated in several project areas but will be selected in no more than two (2) areas.
- Youth should not be nominated in areas where they have received awards previously.
- Nominations are due in the county office by November 1.
- Clubs should submit only one set of nomination forms. Please, when filling out forms do not make identical comments for each member nominated – doing so makes it difficult to choose the best candidate and can be detrimental to your nominee.

IV. SELECTION PROCEDURE

The 4-H Awards Committee will meet to make award selections in early October. All nominees will be invited to attend an Award Recognition Program in January. Selected members will receive awards at that time.